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SUPERCONDUCTING CABLE SYSTEM

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Documents A1 and A2, listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding International application. A copy of the International Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner.

Document A3 relates to superconductive cable.

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